

MINUTES
Historic District Commission
Tuesday November 8, 2016
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Attendees: Gail Bruhn, Dave Spencer, Natalie Miniutti

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

New Business:

- 1) Proposed Demolition of Faculty Row on UCONN campus – G.Bruhn reported that there has been little change with no new information disseminated.
- 2) Windswept Lane – G.Bruhn reported on research done to examine how Windswept Lane lot 1 was developed. It appears that the lot at the corner of East Road and Rte 195 in the Spring Hill Historic District was split in two (in essence subdivided) without review or application to the HDC. In fact it appears that part of Windswept Lane was built on the Spring Hill Historic District land. While it is recognized that the portion of the lot that is part of Windswept Manor (lot 1) is in the Spring Hill Historic District, there was no communication with the HDC concerning the fact that the lot should fact East Road and the stone foundation and walls on the property need to be preserved.
- 3) The town has provided an intern, Chris Whitten to work with the HDC. He is working on developing an expanded website presence where interested home owners can see regulations and rules and procedures to follow for houses in the districts. It will also include descriptions of each district and addresses of the houses within the districts. We are very happy to have his help.
- 4) Mia Mitoma, owner of the Fitch House in Mansfield Center Historic District has asked the Commission to help plan a railing for the front steps that her insurance company is requiring. Dave Spencer has offered to work with her.
- 5) There has been no further contact with the prospective new owner of the Altnaveigh Inn.
- 6) Jane Copeland who will rent space in the Mansfield General Store in Mansfield Center Historic District has asked for advice on signage that will hang below the existing sign. Code restraints will need to be followed before a sign can be designed.

Old Business:

- 1) Minutes from the Oct. Meeting were approved
- 2) Sarah Heumann was informed that she will not require a COA for the new windows for 103 Mansfield Hollow Rd since she is replacing the existing windows with like windows of better quality.
- 3) Complaints related to construction at 32 Centre Street, Mansfield Center Historic District were acknowledged, and Dave Spencer will look into the status of renovations on the house, owned by Dan Newmeyer.

Public Comments: - none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Bruhn
Chair
Mansfield Historic Commission